

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, lines 9-15, with the following paragraph:

--The illumination channel 34 can be used to provide light from a light source to an object being illuminated. In one embodiment the illumination channel is coupled to glass fiber which is coupled to a light source. In a preferred embodiment, the illumination channel 34 can be extruded during a fiber optics drawings process. In another embodiment, this fiber optic drawing process can be performed in a second drawing process. The illumination channel can have a wall thickness of 0.15 mm and can have a refractive index of 1.5 for example. Generally, the illumination channel has a wall thickness in a range of 0.1 mm and 0.2 mm.--